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are the

# jobs

in Utah?  
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# projections

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Economists at the Utah Department of Workforce Services (DWS) make projections for jobs in Utah: which are fast-growing, which will have the most openings, etc. They look about 10 years into the future at where the jobs will be in Utah. A sample of job projections is listed here, but A LOT more occupations are on the Web at these two websites:

<http://jobs.utah.gov/wi/pubs/adultcareerguide/careerchart.pdf>  
<http://jobs.utah.gov/jsp/wi/utalmis/occexpDefault.jsp>

## HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA/GED:

These are a few of the many jobs you may be able to enter with just a high school diploma or GED, and often some related experience. Formal training may be available for some of these jobs, but most people get trained on-the-job, so it takes a while to work your way up. The pay generally is quite low but they're easy jobs to get.

Title	Stars	Entry Hourly Wage	Experienced Hourly Wage
Advertising Sales Agent	*****	\$ 9.30	\$16.60
Bus Driver—Transit and Intercity	*****	10.50	13.80
Carpenter	*****	11.30	15.90
Choreographer	*****	10.00	17.00
Claims Adjusters, Examiners & Investigators	*****	15.60	23.80
Dispatchers, except Police, Fire, Ambulance	*****	10.80	16.60
Executive Secretary / Admin. Assistant	*****	11.70	15.40
Funeral Attendant	*****	8.60	16.50
Heating, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Mechanic/Installer	*****	12.00	16.60
Lodging Manager	*****	11.80	17.70
Office Manager	*****	12.10	18.40
Police & Sheriffs Patrol Officers	*****	14.10	17.80
Postal Service Mail Carrier	*****	16.60	18.80
Postal Service Clerk	*****	18.20	18.80
Postal Service Mail sorter	*****	12.10	16.70
Sales Rep—Wholesale and Manufacturing	*****	13.40	24.70
Surveying and Mapping Technicians	*****	9.70	14.60
Truck Driver, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	*****	11.50	16.30
Vocational Education Teacher	*****	13.80	19.90



## 2 YEARS OR LESS TRAINING:

usually two years or less. Many are good jobs, paying good wages—good careers. Do your research to see which have the best wages, and most openings.

These are a few of the jobs typically requiring an Associate degree, or other post-high school training,

Title	Stars	Entry Hourly Wage	Experienced Hourly Wage
Aircraft Mechanic/Service Technician	****	\$15.00	\$20.50
Cardiovascular Tech	*****	12.60	19.70
Computer Support Specialist	***	9.50	15.00
Dental Hygienist	*****	25.60	34.40
Electrician and Electronic Engineering Technicians	*****	9.30	19.60
Hairdresser/Cosmetologist	**	7.10	10.00
Industrial Engineering Technician	***	14.50	20.20
Manicurist/Pedicurist	***	9.50	13.00
Paralegals and Legal Assistant	*****	13.50	18.00
Real Estate Appraiser	****	9.90	18.60
Real Estate Sales Agents	*****	8.90	22.30
Registered Nurses	*****	18.30	23.10
Respiratory Therapists	*****	16.70	19.80

## BACHELOR'S AND BEYOND:

related experience as well. Wages in jobs at this level usually are among the highest—once the years of education are finished.

These jobs typically require a Bachelor's degree, or an advanced degree, and often

Title	Stars	Entry Hourly Wage	Experienced Hourly Wage
Chief Executive	*****	\$26.95	\$29.50
Civil Engineer	*****	20.40	29.50
Computer and Information Systems Manager	*****	22.62	38.27
Computer Software Engineer, Applications	*****	21.50	33.30
Computer Software Engineer, Systems Software	*****	21.50	32.80
Database Administrator	*****	19.20	29.00
Dentist	*****	26.70	56.20
Financial Manager	*****	16.70	33.20
General and Operations Manager	*****	17.10	35.80
Human Resources Manager	*****	18.20	30.30
Industrial Engineer	*****	20.20	28.60
Lawyer	*****	31.00	59.40
Management Analyst	*****	19.00	34.60
Mechanical Engineer	*****	22.30	29.90
Medical/Health Services Manager	*****	20.40	32.70
Operations Research Analyst	*****	16.00	28.00
Physical Therapist	*****	20.00	32.70
Physician Assistant	*****	22.00	32.70

There are hundreds more occupations to explore at [careers.utah.gov](https://careers.utah.gov)



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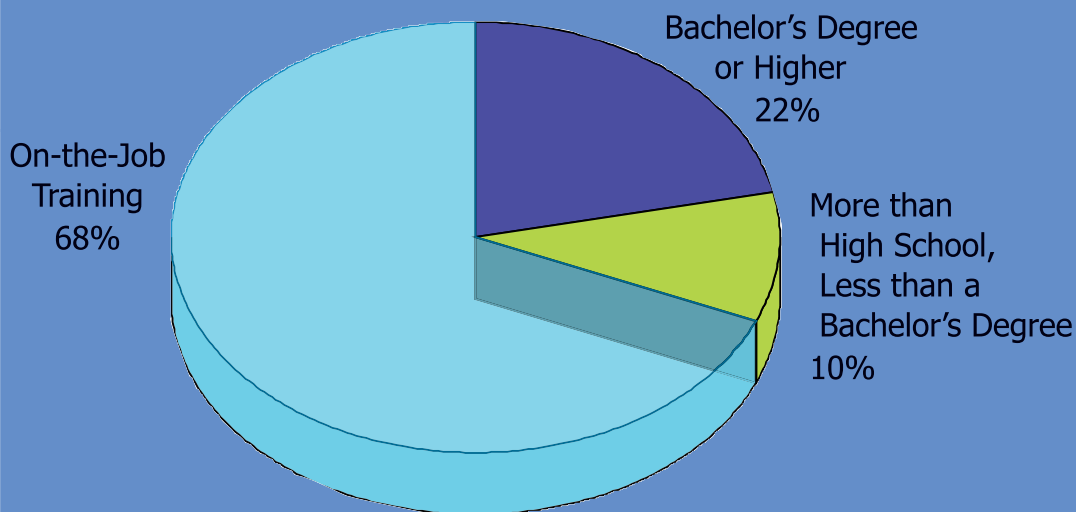
Jobs are ranked on a 5-star system, and divided (by the amount of training they typically require) into three levels. The best jobs in each training level are the 5-star jobs. They combine the best pay and the best outlook within that level. Next-best are the 4-star jobs, and so on. Go to the Web (see below) for information on many more occupations.

## Job Openings

Most are for jobs requiring little or no post-high school education. However, these jobs don't pay very well and have a high turn-over rate. Jobs that typically require education after high school don't have as many openings, but they generally pay a much better wage. Most people take the lower-level jobs while they are getting more training for a future career. As you can see, education pays!



## Utah New Jobs by Training Level 2002-2012



Keep in mind... The wages we list for jobs are not a guarantee, they are only approximate. Use these wage figures only as advisory information to help you make decisions about your future career.

Get a lot more information on what jobs are out there, where to get trained, financial aid, wages, and how to plan your career at: [careers.utah.gov](http://careers.utah.gov)



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